United Nations A/54/513

General Assembly

Distr.: General
28 October 1999

Original: English

Fifty-fourth session
Agenda item 46
Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa

Letter dated 25 October 1999 from the President of the Economic and Social Council addressed to the President of the General Assembly

As you know, the Economic and Social Council devoted the coordination segment of its substantive session of 1999 to the development of Africa, and adopted a set of agreed conclusions entitled "Development of Africa: implementation and coordinated follow-up by the United Nations system of initiatives on African development".

The Council, by its decision 1999/270, recommended that the agreed conclusions and discussion on the theme arising out of the coordination segment of its session be an integral part of the reports and issues to be considered by the open-ended working group to be established by the General Assembly at its fifty-fourth session pursuant to its resolution 53/92 of 7 December 1998.

It is, therefore, my privilege to draw your attention to the agreed conclusions of the Council, which are contained in document A/54/3 (p. 32). I trust that this output of the Council will help to further strengthen the United Nations system's support to Africa and to stimulate a more coordinated response by the United Nations system to the comprehensive recommendations made by the Secretary-General in his report, supplementing the General Assembly's own effort in that regard.

(*Signed*) F. Paolo **Fulci**

99-31947 (E) 291099